whereby such insurance may be made payable either in one sum or in installments for thirty-six months or more. The bureau may also include in said contract a provision authorizing the beneficiary to elect to receive payment of the insurance in installments for thirty-six months or more, but only if the insured has not exercised the right of election as hereinbefore provided; and even though the insured may have exercised his right of election the said contract may authorize the beneficiary to elect to receive such insurance in installments spread over a greater period of time than that selected by the insured. This section shall be deemed to be in effect as of June 7, 1924."

Approved, June 2, 1926.

CHAP. 455.—An Act Authorizing the Postmaster General to rent quarters for postal purposes without formal contract in certain cases.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by the Act entitled "An Act to amend section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, relating to contracts for supplies in the departments at Washington," approved January 27, 1894 (Twenty-eighth Statutes, pages 33, 34), and as amended further by section 4 of the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the legislative, executive, and judicial expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1911, and for other purposes," approved June 17, 1910 (Thirty-sixth Statutes, page 531), is further amended by adding the following provision:

"Provided, That hereafter the Postmaster General, in his discretion, may rent quarters for postal purposes without entering into a formal written contract in any case where the amount of the rental does not exceed $1,000 per annum."

Approved, June 3, 1926.

CHAP. 456.—An Act Authorizing the Postmaster General to make monthly payment of rental for terminal railway post-office premises under lease.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proviso attached to the appropriation available for rental of space for terminal railway post offices in the Post Office Appropriation Act, approved April 24, 1920 (Forty-first Statutes, page 580), is amended by striking out the word "quarterly" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "monthly," so that said proviso will read as follows:

"Provided, That hereafter the Postmaster General may, in the discretion of the appropriation for such purposes, apply a part thereof to the purpose of leasing premises for the use of terminal railway post offices at a reasonable annual rental, to be paid monthly, for a term not exceeding twenty years."

Approved, June 3, 1926.

CHAP. 457.—An Act To regulate subsistence expenses of civilian officers and employees while absent from their designated posts of duty on official business.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Subsistence Expense Act of 1926."